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DEANS' FORUM SUMMARY

January 21, 2010

Attending: Ali, Baker, Boocker, Bullock, Cicotello, DeFrank, Edick, Fiene, Gouttierre, Hynes, Maher, Pol, Reed, Smith-Howell,

1. Approval of summary for January 7, 2010 Deans' Forum meeting

-Approved

2. New/Old Business

➤ **"Responsible Conduct of Research" (RCR) –Harmon Maher**

- Discussion of NSF eligibility requirements related to RCR. A proposed policy that would include making available on-site training for faculty based upon common practices was distributed and will go to Cabinet for discussion and approval.

➤ **Budget Issues:**

- **Planning Guidelines/Criteria/Decision Rules ---and Implementation**

SVC Hynes shared the hope that we could start with the concept of where we want to be in 10-15 years. A discussion revolved around the difficulty of having concrete strategies at a time when we don't yet know the magnitude of cuts. Some agreement that allowing units to develop strategies to address budget reductions will be best as we move forward. One primary difficulty is that flexible resources mainly involve funding for part-time instructors, which impact our ability to generate revenue. General agreement that more effective communication with the campus will aid UNO as we move forward.

- **Additional Summer Allocations for May-June 2010**

Request for information from Deans about how their allocated summer funds will be spent related to SCH production over the summer. Regarding further requests for funding, SVC Hynes asked for reports that would outline the use of funds with the rationale included. Dean Reed suggested adding a piece to the report that would aggregate all funds used for summer instruction, including those funds that have been reallocated internally within each College. Monday, January 25 was identified as the tentative deadline for submitting requests to SVC Hynes for additional summer funding (max. available: \$75 K)

➤ **RPT Reminders:**

- **Copies of Letters sent to First and Second-Year Tenure –accruing Faculty should be sent to James McCarty**

Clarifying that SVC Hynes would like copies of the letters sent to faculty and not simply notification.

Send all notifications certified mail, return receipt requested to comply with cba.

- **Calendar for Appointment/Re-Appointment of All Full-Time, Temporary Faculty**

3. Just Good Stuff

- SVC Hynes asked for a relatively new format to Deans' Forum meetings. She is asking that one volunteer at the beginning of each meeting spend 10-15 minutes outlining the long-term initiatives in their respective areas. Dean DeFrank volunteered for next meeting.